

Drewcomer, Waldo

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Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

November 15, 1910

Mr. Bauman L. Belden, Secretary,

The American Numismatic Society,

156 th Street, west of Broadway, New York.

Dear Sir:

Your communication to Mr. Waldo Newcomer is received in his absence, and upon his return in about a week or ten days will receive his prompt attention.

Very truly yours,

Newcomer S. W.

Neuman & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

November 22, 1910

Mr. Bauman L. Belden, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
New York.

Dear Sir:

I have your notification under date of November 14
that I have been elected an associate member of the American Numismatic
Society and will be glad to be enrolled as an associate life member, for
which I enclose herewith check for \$50. to the order of the Society.

I have been out of town for the past week, which
explains the delay in acknowledging your letter.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Neuman

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

January 20, 1911

Mr. B. L. Belden, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
New York.

Dear Sir:

Some time ago you gave me the name of Messrs. James C. Roe's Sons as the best makers of coin cabinets and I had them make me a cabinet for my collection, which is a most satisfactory one, the drawers being lined with canton flannel and protected by locked doors, and the object of the present letter is to ask you whether, in your opinion, as long as the coins are in a cabinet of that character and rarely handled, is it necessary to keep the uncirculated and proof pieces wrapped in untarnishable tissue? It, of course, interferes to a certain extent with the appearance and I would like to do away with it, unless by so doing I am likely to destroy the value of the pieces.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

January 30, 1911.

Mr. Waldo Newcomer,
National Exchange Bank Building,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of January 20th was received just as I was getting ready for the annual meeting and the rush of work connected with that, has caused the delay in reply.

It would seem to me that the coins in the cabinet drawers would keep in good shape provided the canton flannel with which the drawers are lined, has nothing in the dye which will cause a tarnish. We use the kind of canton flannel that is used by silver-smiths to make bags in which to put pieces of silver. This is especially made for that purpose with no sulphur in the dye. If you wanted to take special care of the pieces spread out in the drawers, it might help to lay a piece of canton flannel the size of the drawer, over the coins which could easily be lifted when you wanted to look at them. We keep all our proof coins in drawers and they seem to retain their brilliancy very nicely.

Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you here when in New York, I am,

Very truly yours,

Director.

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

February 1, 1911

Mr. Bauman L. Belden, Director,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street West of Broadway,
New York.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of 30th January and thank you
for your very satisfactory reply to my question.

The cabinet which I have, as I told you, was made
by Hoe, who is thoroughly posted on the subject and I know that he com-
municated with Tiffany & Co. regarding the lining of the drawers, so
that I feel perfectly safe in assuming that the ~~axixixi~~ canton flannel
used is that approved by the silversmiths.

Again thanking you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

January 21, 1913

Mr. B. L. Belden, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, west of Broadway,

New York.

Dear Sir:

I have been advised by some people to put a little gum camphor in the drawers of my coin cabinet, on the theory that it will prevent the silver coins from tarnishing. Would you be kind enough to advise me whether you would recommend this, or whether it is possible for it to do any injury either to the silver coins or those of other metals?

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

January 22nd, 1913.

Mr. Waldo Newcomer,
National Exchange Bank Building,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of January 21st has just been received. We have for a number of years pursued the practice of putting a piece of gum camphor in our cases containing silver coins, and, while it does not entirely prevent tarnishing, it helps very much in that direction. I never heard of this causing any damage to the coins, though on general principals I would advise that the camphor be not allowed to touch them.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

February 29, 1916

Mr. Bauman L. Belden, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
New York.

My dear Mr. Belden:

I have your letter of 26th inst., notifying me that
I have been appointed a member of the committee on United States coins for
the current year, in conjunction with Mr. Wm. H. Woodin and Mr. Edgar H. Adams.

I do not know exactly what is expected of such a committee but will be glad to co-operate in any way in my power.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

January 4th, 1917.

To the Committee on United States Coins.

Mr. Waldo Newcomer,
National Exchange Bank Building,
Baltimore, Maryland..

Dear Sir:-

The Annual Meeting of The American Numismatic Society will be held Saturday afternoon, January 20th, at which, according to our By-Laws Chapter VI, Article 3, the Chairman of your Committee will be called upon to present a report in writing concerning the activities of your Committee. This Annual Meeting is the first one since the inauguration of the new regime. We therefore wish to make the meeting an eminently satisfactory one to our entire membership. Nothing can be accomplished without the whole hearted co-operation of all.

The staff in the Society's building have devoted their energies and time to the furtherance of the Society's affairs and interests. The Society now looks forward to receiving a report of your Committee.

Seven months ago at the Spring general meeting of Committees, minute books and suggestions were furnished each Committee. If you have nothing definite to report, refer to your minute book and at least give us a digest of your minutes and discussions. Perhaps your report has already been drawn up. In any case we would ask you to hand it in not later than the thirteenth of the month in order that we may be aided in the arrangement of the programme of the Annual Meeting.

If you are the Chairman of your Committee, please turn your attention to this matter at once as it is imperative that a written report be presented at the coming meeting.

If you are not the Chairman, will you not get in touch with him immediately as the time remaining is very short.

We wish to emphasize again that all the resources of the Society - everybody and everything in the building - are at your immediate disposal.

Can we help you ?

Your Committee is composed of

Mr. William H. Woodin, Chairman, 165 Broadway, New York.

Tele. Room, Cortlandt 8300.

Mr. Edgar H. Adams, 5056 Broadway, New York.

Hoping to see you, or at least hear from you, on or before the 13th, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

President.

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

February 8, 1918

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York.

My dear Mr. Newell;

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 5th inst., notifying me of my appointment to the Committee on Latin America. I note the names of the other members and will be very glad to co-operate in any way in my power.

Very truly yours,

December 6, 1919

Waldo Newcomer, Esq.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Newcomer:

As I presume you know, the Fellows of the American Numismatic Society are limited to one hundred and fifty in number, and we are unable to add to their roll unless death or resignation reduces that number. Owing to the death of Mr. Henry Frick, there is a vacancy at the present time, and I am writing to ask whether you would care to consider having your name presented at the next meeting of the Council which occurs early in January.

The difference in dues involves the payment of \$15 annually as a Fellow, instead of \$5, or should you desire to become a Life Fellow, the payment of \$150 (less the amount already paid as a Life Associate, \$50-- that is \$100).

Awaiting your response, I beg to remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

Waldo Newcomer

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

December 11, 1919

Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 155th Street,
New York.

My dear Mr. Noe:

I appreciate your letter of 5th inst., and if elected at the
January meeting, I will be glad to accept the position of a Life Fellow in
the Society.

If on account of the delay in this reply, or for any other
reason, you prefer to confer the honor on some one else, I shall have no
feeling whatsoever in the premises.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

Noted by
Edward T. Nevill

December 16, 1919

Waldo Newcomer, Esq.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Newcomer:

In response to your letter of December 11th, I have the honor to advise you that at a special meeting of the Council held yesterday, you were unanimously elected a Fellow of The American Numismatic Society.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

Mrs. Ruch:-

On Mr. Waldo Newcomer's card I note he is down as a Life Fellow. Can you trace up for me just when he paid the \$150.00? I have looked in his file, also in the Bank letters but do not seem to find any record. See if you can.

M.A.R.

Miss Reilly--

In reference to Mr Newcomer; In his file, I find that he was invited to become a Fellow, on payment of 100.00; He had paid 50.00 when he became Associate Life in Nov. 22, 1910. He accepted the invitation, (there are shorthand notes on this letter) and on Decemoer 16th, 1919 he was notified that he had been unanimously elected. There is no Bank Letter to show that the amount was ever paid by him, and in Nov. 1920, he became automatically a Life member.

Hunting through the Bank letters, I found that 100.00 was credited to a Mr Gillingham on December 31st, 1919. I have been wondering if by any mistake this could be the 100.00 that Mr Newcomer should have paid around that time. The reason for thinking this, is, that in Mr Gill ingham's file there is no mention of such an amount being presented to the Society by him, and I think this is strange. Another reason is, that the one who made out the Bank letter, first typed

150.00 and then some one crossed it off and inserted 100.00 in INK

Now, if one mistake was made, why not two-- You may be able to
solve the problem, I CANT.

R.

LATER

Messers Wyman and Wood think, that a BILL WAS NEVER SENT TO
Mr N. They said, " let Miss Neilly take this up "

January 11th, 1921.

Waldo Newcomer, Esq.,
National Exchange Bank Building,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Newcomer:-

On December 16th, 1918, in accordance with your letter of December 11th of the same year, you were unanimously elected a Fellow of this Society.

You will recall that you stated you desired to be enrolled as a Fellow for Life, and that I explained in my letter that the amount of fifty dollars which had already been paid by you as an Associate for Life, under our rules and regulations, was deductible from the amount payable as a Life Fellow - (\$150.00) - making therefore the sum involved in the change \$100.00.

We are now unable to find any record of having received your cheque to cover this transaction. May I respectfully ask that you look up the matter to see whether we are at fault? I am very sorry to trouble you but we should like to have our accounts correct for the year.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

Waldo Newcomer

Newcomer & Co.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore.

January 12, 1921

Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th and 156 Streets,
New York.

My dear Mr. Noe:

I have your letter of 11th inst. and take pleasure in enclosing
herewith check for \$100.

In explanation of this situation, I would say that whilst I
received your notification of my election, I presumed a bill would be sent
and consequently never forwarded the payment.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

chk sent to Bank
January 13, 1921.

January 13th, 1921

Waldo Newcomer, Esq.
National Exchange Bank Building
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Newcomer:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 12th clearing up the situation. It would have been much better had we sent you a form, as you suggest; that is a detail, however.

I trust we shall have some day the pleasure of welcoming you to our Museum, and of showing you the progress which has been made since you were last here.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary

S.M./E

Waldo Newcomer

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Baltimore St. & Hopkins Place
Baltimore, Md.

October 26, 1925

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
Mr. Bauman L. Belden, Chairman,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 155th and 156th Street,
New York.

Dear Sirs:

In response to your appeal of 23rd inst., I enclose herewith
check for \$50, as a contribution toward the purchase of Indian Peace medals
at the Wilson sale.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Newcomer

November 19th, 1925

Waldo Newcomer, Esq.
105 W. Monument Street
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Newcomer:

In view of your generous contribution toward our Indian Peace medal fund, you may be interested to learn that we were very successful in securing sufficient funds to enable us to purchase every one of the twenty medals which we especially desired.

Our collection of Indian Peace medals is now a truly remarkable gathering, the like of which exists nowhere else in the world. The Society is, therefore, very appreciative of your loyal and generous assistance which has contributed so largely to the fortunate result, as outlined above.

Please allow me to add my own personal thanks to those of the Society, and believe me,

Yours very gratefully.

President